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To: Vakoc, Misha

Subject: Request to Extend or Re-Open Public Comment Period on NPDES Permit WAS02661

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Ms. Vakoc,

I am writing as a concerned citizen and president of a water association in the vicinity of the Whidbey Island NAS Outlying Field which has documented PFAS contamination. Said documented PFAS contamination is now determined to be less than one (1) mile from our well that serves over 30 individuals/residents.

The point of sharing this information is that the release and source of PFAS contamination and the Navy's involvement has been an ongoing challenge that continues today. When you look at PFAS contamination sites across the United States, I believe the EPA's own documentation shows the Navy and other branches of the military installations have been a major contributor to the problem. In the instance of the above mentioned permit there is a continued lack of transparency with the Navy and their further discharge of storm water, that in the past has included PFAS chemicals, should be completely scrutinized.

We would thus suggest a more thorough review process with an extended public review process of the above referenced permit.

We appreciate your consideration of this request.

Regards,

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